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In re Application of:

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**SUBMISSION OF CERTIFIED COPY OF PRIOR
FOREIGN APPLICATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH
THE REQUIREMENTS OF 37 C.F.R. §1.55**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.55, the applicants submit herewith a certified copy of each of the following foreign applications:

- (1) Japanese Patent Application No. 8-258969
Filed: September 30, 1996
- (2) Japanese Patent Application No. 9-150531
Filed: June 9, 1997

It is respectfully requested that the applicants be given the benefit of the foreign filing date, as evidenced by the certified papers attached hereto, in accordance with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 119.

Respectfully submitted,
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